151. Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the Government have considered at any time the necessity of taking upon themselves the management of this school;

(b) if so, what is the decision arrived at;

(c) if the decision is that the management would not be taken over by the Sirkar, will the Government be pleased to inform the reasons that lead to such a decision?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—(a) No.

(b) and (c). These questions do not arise in view of the answer to (a).

Sanskrit Patasala at Vellarappalli.

152. Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar.—Will the Government be pleased to inform the Council:—

(a) whether there is a Sanskrit Patasala conducted by a private agency at Vellarappalli;

(b) if so, whether the said school is open to all classes of His Highness' subjects without distinction of caste of creed;

(c) how many classes are there in that school at present and what is the strength in each class;

(d) whether the pupils there are taught free; if not, what is the fee levied from each pupil;

(e) is the Government giving the said school any grant;

(f) if so, what is the amount of the grant allowed each year;

(g) how long has the said school been in existence;

(h) how many teachers are there in the said school at present and to what communities do they belong?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—(a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) Three classes with a strength of 33 in class I, 19 in class II and 16 in class III.

(d) They are taught free.

(e) Yes.

(f) Rs. 360.

(g) Nearly three years.

(h) Four teachers of these two are Kshatriyas, one Nayar and one Velan (വേലൻ).

Agricultural School in the Central Farm.

153. Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—Adverting to the notification published in the Government Gazette of 13th Edavam 1103, announcing the closing of the Agricultural School attached to the Central Farm for a year, will the Government be pleased to state:—

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